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## LAST SALOON CLOSED IN STEEL TOWN

GARY, IND., IS NOW ON THE DRY LIST.

GARY, Ind., April 8.—The spectacle of hundreds of thirsty residents standing in a line a block long to get a final drink at a popular bar was one of the unique incidents in connection with the closing of the 15 remaining saloons here.

At first the customers were served as they crowded to the bar, but after a short time it was found necessary to use the same tactics employed during a rush for theater tickets.

At some of the saloons bargain sales were conducted, liquor being sold at cost to old customers. What were termed "wakes" were held in all of the saloons, the "lid" being off so far as the observance of the usual closing hours was concerned. The licenses of the saloon proprietors really expired at midnight but the police made no effort to stop the rush of customers after that time, it being understood that early this morning the last drinks would be sold.

## TEXAN ACCUSED OF MURDER

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 8.—

The authorities of Vigo county, this State, purpose to leave no stone unturned in their efforts to bring Sylvester Burnham, a wealthy and respected land owner of Texas, back to Indiana to answer a charge of a peculiarly atrocious murder committed at Sandford, Vigo county, thirty-two years ago. Notwithstanding the fact that the murder was almost forgotten and that many of those connected with the case as witnesses or otherwise have long since passed away, the legal authorities believe they can weave a chain of evidence about the wealthy Texan that will result in his conviction if he is brought back to trial. Requisition papers have been obtained from Governor Marshall of Indiana and an officer has gone after Burnham.

The murder with which Burnham is charged was committed on the night of October 30, 1877. The victim was Rosa Tritt, a pretty young miss, granddaughter of a wealthy farmer with whom she made her home. In the employ of the farmer was a laborer whom the police allege is the man now known as Sylvester Burnham. The laborer became infatuated with the young girl. The latter, engaged to another man, refused to receive his attentions, and her refusal angered the laborer. The girl complained to her grandfather, but her complaints were not sufficient to cause Burnham's discharge.

On the Sunday morning preceding the murder Rosa's sweetheart drove out from Terra Haute and spent Sunday and Sunday night at the Tritt home. His presence further enraged the laborer, it is charged, and when he watched the lovers' good-by kiss the next morning he is said to have gone into a passion and later to have told Rosa that he would be avenged. That morning the Tritt family began cleaning house and by night the carpets were all taken up and laid in great rolls to be replaced next day. That night Rosa went as usual to her room on the second floor, where she slept alone. The laborer occupied a room on the ground floor. The grandparents also slept on the ground floor.

According to the evidence gathered immediately after the crime, the laborer is believed to have stolen to the

girl's room some time during the night and cut her throat with a razor. When the body was found the next day it showed also a deep gash in the left side, thought to have been inflicted in a struggle. After the murder had been committed the body was left in a roll of carpet in the room.

As a second chapter of the crime, it is charged, the murderer set fire to the dwelling in an effort to conceal the murder. Mr. and Mrs. Tritt barely escaped with their lives. In the smoldering roll of carpet next day was found the mutilated body of the young girl, and a search was begun immediately for the murderer. The only trace found of the laborer was his trunk, which was discovered hidden in a nearby pile of straw, where he is thought to have placed it before ascending to the girl's room. Neighbors reported that they saw the man in the vicinity two or three times after that, but no positive clue could be found which would lead to his whereabouts.

For more than thirty years the police officers and sheriffs of Terre Haute and of Vigo county followed meager clues to run down the murderer, but always without success. Not until a week or two ago did the authorities learn anything definite in regard to the man they have sought for so many years. Then Captain Armstrong of the Terre Haute police stumbled accidentally upon a clue which led to the man alleged to be Burnham being located in Texas. An old-time resident of Vigo county, who lived in the vicinity of the Tritt farm and who remembered all of the details of the crime, is said to have recognized Burnham on a recent visit to Texas as the laborer who had been employed by Tritt and who had disappeared at the time of the murder.

According to facts that have developed during the present investigation of the case, the laborer had enlisted in the United States navy after he left Vigo county and had served in the navy five years. After his discharge from the service he went to Texas, where he took up a section of land, and later added to this until he owned a large strip of territory and accumulated considerable wealth as a ranch owner. He is said now to have a family and to be a respected citizen and devout member of the church.

## FROM ELECTRICIAN'S BOOK

Wireless communications have been successfully carried on from a special train on the Lake Shore railroad to Cleveland and Chicago, while running at full speed.

It is expected that in the early future electricity will supersede steam on all the railroads of Germany. It will take nearly \$135,000,000 to replace all the steam locomotives with electric.

A great dam is to be erected across the Colorado river at Marble Falls, Texas. When completed this dam will give more than 10,000 horsepower which will be used to operate a large cotton mill and other industries.

The largest electric power station in the world will shortly be erected within fourteen miles of Johannesburg under the terms of a contract officially announced, by which the Victoria Falls Power Company will supply electric power to practically all the mines in that great group.

England is now in direct telegraphic communication with India, a distance of 5,374 miles.

The largest storage battery in the world has been installed at the Sixteenth Street Station of the New York Edison company. The 150 cells have a capacity of 22,000 amperes for one hour at 120 volts. It will be used only in emergencies.

A device has been perfected, driven by a tiny General Electric motor, for polishing stoves and ranges in hotels and restaurants.

Nearly 300 miles of line for power transmission purposes is to be put up by the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission in order to supply various towns and cities in Ontario with electricity generated at Niagara Falls. About a million pounds of aluminum wire will be used. The line will consist of three cables supported on towers spaced 550 feet apart.

A wireless telephone is to be used along the coast as a fog signal. It has been tried and found to work well under heavy weather conditions.

A wireless plant will be installed on the top of the tower of the city hall of Philadelphia, 500 feet above the street.

The tides of the bay of Fundy will be harnessed for electric power.

## ANOTHER WHITE SLAVE RAID IS MADE

CRUSADE IS STILL BEING KEPT UP IN CHICAGO.

CHICAGO, April 8.—That the United States Supreme Court's decision in the Keller-Uhlman "White slave" case has not interfered with District Attorney Sims' crusade against alleged importers of alien women, was indicated last night in a spectacular raid by United States Deputy Marshals on a resort kept by Charles Maibaum. Maibaum himself, Anna Bogard, whom he is alleged to have imported from Vladivostok, Russia, and nine women inmates were arrested. When the prisoners were arraigned shortly before midnight, before United States Commissioner Foote, Maibaum's bond and that of the Bogard woman were fixed at \$10,000 and \$500 bail was asked in the cases of each of the other women, who are being held as government witnesses.

The cases were continued until April 16. In the meantime, it is said, the matter will be taken before the federal grand jury and efforts made to have Maibaum indicted under a section of the immigration law not affected by the Supreme Court's decision.

## OREGON IN IT.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—In order to provide the organized militia of each state and territory with non-commissioned officers of the regular army for instruction purposes, President Taft has authorized an increase of the non-commissioned staff of the army by sixty sergeants.

They will be distributed, one sergeant to each company of the first, second, third, fourth and fifth regiments of the United States Infantry and then detailed to the organized militia for service. One sergeant will be detailed to each state or territory having one full regiment and for each thousand additional strength a state

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## WILLIN

A certain newly-elected Western Congressman met a society bird of Washington at his first reception. "Do you like Balzac?" she queried. "Wal, I never played it," drawled the Westerner. "But I'm willin' to take a hand." —Lippincott's.



IN "THE GINGERBREAD MAN."

The General Electric Company has organized a corps of heating engineers to design apparatus and make plans for unusual applications of electric heat in the industrial field.

An electric sand-papiering outfit is one of the latest electrical devices.

Electric sirens are in use on the railways of Germany. The sound is produced by the vibrations of a diaphragm under the influence of an electro-magnet.

The first practical demonstration in this country of the new process of telegraphing photographs was made March 4th when pictures of Taft and Roosevelt were flashed over the wires between Washington and New York.

The adoption of electric furnaces in large steel plants is expected to produce a rail that the highest speed freight engines cannot injure.

One of the first electric locomotives was built by Stephen D. Field, of

Stockbridge, Mass., and the motor is still preserved in the cellar of the Field house as a souvenir.

Few people realize the rapidity of growth of the coast redwood trees of California. Because some of the large trees of this family are a thousand years or more in age, often attaining a size where they are larger than any other tree, excepting the famous Big Trees, redwood has the reputation of being a very slow growing tree. As a matter of fact, redwood sprouts growing from stumps of older trees are among the most rapid growing of our native trees.

To illustrate this point, the United States Forest Service will exhibit at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific Exposition in Seattle this summer, sections from a young redwood sprout, together with explanatory diagrams showing its rate of growth in diameter, height and volume. This tree, which was

cut from the Dupont Powder Works' tract near Santa Cruz, is over 80 inches in circumference at the stump, almost 125 feet in height, and is only 47 years of age. These dimensions indicate a growth of over 1-2 inch in diameter per year, and an annual growth of 2-7-10 feet in height.

Trees of an even more rapid growth were seen in the Big River country of Mendocino county, California, where redwood sprouts over 30 inches in diameter on the stump and 125 to 160 feet in height were found growing on land cut over 40 to 45 years ago. Redwood sprouts thus rival in their rate of growth the much lauded eucalyptus.

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